



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

August 12, 2002

**S. 1638**

**A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the French Colonial Heritage Area in the state of Missouri as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on  
July 31, 2002*

S. 1638 would direct the Department of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the feasibility and suitability of designating the French Colonial Historic District in Ste. Genevieve County, Missouri, as a unit of the National Park System. The bill would authorize the appropriation of whatever amounts are necessary for the study and would require the department to report on its findings and recommendations within three years of receiving funds.

Assuming the availability of appropriated funds, CBO estimates that it would cost about \$250,000 over the next three years to complete the required study and report. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

S. 1638 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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